

South Dakota CATTLE ON FEED

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CATTLE ON FEED INVENTORY UP FROM NOVEMBER

SIOUX FALLS, December 17, 1999 -- South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 186,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on December 1, according to the USDA's South Dakota Ag Statistics Service. The December 1 number is up 29,000 head from a month earlier and up 7,000 head from a year ago.

Placements during November totaled 51,000 head, down 19,000 head from October but up 13,000 head from last year.

Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 21,000 head, down 2,000 head from October and down 2,000 head from last year.

Other disappearance during November totaled 1,000 head, the same as October but down 1,000 from a year earlier.

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